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RCMP put brakes on speeders in Highway 63 blitz

TRAFFIC Mounties handed out 255 tickets during a three-day blitz on a notorious Northern Alberta highway to crackdown on dangerous driving near Boyle.

Alberta sheriffs and Mounties pulled over 280 vehicles a stretch of Highway 63 between the town and Mariana Lakes on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Among those pulled over, most were pulled over for speeding while others were caught driving without a licence.

Police also pulled over one vehicle that resulted in the seizure of a handgun.

Police say two people in the vehicle, both with criminal records and prohibited to carry firearms, were arrested.

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John Lee, left, and Jessica Leong, right, of the Jin-Qing Lion Dance Troupe perform traditional Chinese drumming during Chinese New Year celebrations at West Edmonton Mall yesterday.

Enrolment at alternative school drops

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Students at a school built on freedom of choice may soon have no choice but to rejoin the public system if enrolment continues to plunge.

While far from the Hogwarts' and Jedi academies of the big screen, Indigo Sudbury is a school for children who have difficulty learning in a public classroom. There are no classes, no curriculum and virtually no traditional rules at the school where students learn anything they choose.

Though the model of educational freedom and democratic governance is applauded by many parents, a move to a new location in the west end from rural Beaumont coupled with current economic uncertainty, has led to a dramatic drop in enrolment.

"People are tightening their belts," said founder Nicolette Groeneveld. "At the same time, what recession times need are really creative thinkers who are confident, versatile, flexible, not afraid of change, and who aren't locked into one path. That's what our school creates."

With only 11 children left from a class of 35 in September, staff members are diving further into the red each month.

"If this school closes, it will be an incredible shame," said Mariel Helmers, mother of one graduate and one current student.

For more information, visit www.indigosudburycampus.com.

The Year of the Ox

'Clean slate' celebrated as city rings in Chinese New Year

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Today is a new beginning for roughly 80,000 people in Edmonton's Chinese and Vietnamese community as they continue to celebrate the Chinese New Year, a celebration that usually extends over two weeks.

West Edmonton Mall's Ice Palace was one of the many places in the city over the weekend where thousands watched dancers and performers on stage as they rang in the Year of the Ox on the eve of the Chinese New Year yesterday.

"We will continue celebrating for a while," said Irene Ma, a performance leader for the 2009 Lunar New Year Extravaganza.

"The Chinese New Year is a long celebration."

Thousands crammed into the Ice Palace, sometimes shoulder-to-shoulder as they walked by vendors during the fair.

Many others sat in awe as they watched the live performances, including a lion dance by the Hung Man Athletic Club — a performance meant to ward off evil spirits in a new year.

Ma says celebrations last for a week leading up to Chinese New Year's Day to

celebrate the end of the year, while new celebrations kick off to celebrate a new year.

Under Chinese customs, people would also pay off their debts before the new year.

"Everyone wants to start the new year on a clean slate, and kids will be extra happy because they get to wear new clothes, along with getting new pocket money from their parents and elders," said Ma.

With 2009 being the Year of the Ox, the Edmonton Chinatown Multicultural Centre says it could be a better year as it encourages people to work harder to bring in better

Are you an ox?

According to the Chinese Zodiac:

- Ox are born in 1949, '61, '73, '85, '97, 2009
- Tend to be simple, honest, straightforward
- Most compatible with those born in the Year of the Rat, Snake or Rooster

prosperities.

With markets and the economy taking a plunge, the new year could be welcome news for investors and politicians, said Ma.

"This means we will have a better year than what we saw last year," said Ma.

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Tuition at U of A rises 4.1 per cent

Students at the University of Alberta will see their tuition go up by 4.1 per cent, on top of an eight per cent hike in residence costs. The change means full-time graduate students will pay another \$141, bringing their tuition to \$3,591. The university says hikes to residence costs are needed to pay for major repairs to several buildings.

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Hospital to unveil \$7.5M nursery

NEONATAL Doctors and nurses at the Grey Nuns Community Hospital will unveil a new \$7.5-million nursery today to keep up with the rising demand for neonatal care. Alberta Health Services says the number of babies delivered at the hospital has risen by 27 per cent in the last five years. The number of babies admitted has increased by 175 per cent since 2000. **METRO EDMONTON**

News in brief

CORRECTION In Friday's front page story, A tale of two cities, it was erroneously reported that Thomas Svekla had been convicted in the murder of two prostitutes. Svekla has only been convicted in the death of one person. Metro regrets the error.

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WHAT'S ONLINE TODAY

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Lotteries

Friday, Jan. 23
Super 7: 03, 04, 17, 22, 28, 34 & 37 Bonus 21
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Pets just 'fabulous, dahling'

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Despite a looming recession, Edmontonians still have enough disposable income to paint their pets' nails and adorn them in haute couture.

Animal lovers congregated at Northlands AgriCom through the weekend, in a steady stream of traffic, privy to an underworld of pampered pet services many humans deny themselves.

"Our business is up 50 per cent from last year," said owner of the Urban Dog, Laurel Kostk. "A lot of the news out there, especially American, is scaring Canadians. Edmonton is different from anywhere else — there's a lot of disposable income here, and people will spend money on their pets."

The speciality shop boasts a line of apparel including Coach and Louis Vuitton collars, doggy tuxedos, bathrobes, bikinis and un-



Dwayne Castellarin of Fabulous Furballs, a pet boutique in Sherwood Park, sits with a dolled-up chihuahua named Salsa at the Pet Expo yesterday at Northlands Agricom.

derpants.

Prices range from reasonable to outrageous. The most expensive items, a dog carrier and treadmill, ring in at around \$1,500 and \$2,500, respectively.

Despite tough times around many Canadian

households, people are shelling out because pets are considered part of the family, Kostk said.

Luxury pet-spa owner Krista Castellarin said that at her shop in Sherwood Park, human moms and dads still spare few expens-

es for their four-legged kids, who frequently get facials and nail polish.

"People are being a little more cautious, but they're still spoiling them," she said, adding student groomers will take clients at 50 per cent regular rates.

Nighttime photos sought in city competition

SHOWCASE Edmontonians are being urged by the city to send in some of their best snapshots of Edmonton's scenery at night.

The competition is part of a new plan to create awareness for environmentally friendly lighting, said Brenda Osborne with the city's office

of environment and energy.

It will also showcase photos that capture the splendour and sensibility of naturally or artificially lit places, says Osborne.

The photos can also depict inefficient or ineffective artificial light — something that obstructs clear

views of the night sky.

"This competition is the first of many events that, between now and when the City hosts the ICLEI World Congress in June 2009, will build community awareness, energy and action around the environment," said Osborne.

"Most people don't often think about the effect light pollution caused by ineffective lighting has on our environment."

Submissions will be taken until April 30 at edmonton.ca and winners will be announced May 15.

JEFF CUMMINGS/METRO EDMONTON

Ransom for Alta. journalist falls to \$100K

DEMAND Somali kidnappers holding an Alberta journalist hostage have reportedly lowered the ransom demanded to free her and an Australian photojournalist.

When Sylvan Lake journalist Amanda Lindhout was captured at gunpoint in Somalia last August, her captors asked for \$2.5 million for her safe return.

A Somali press freedom agency said Friday that the ransom has been dropped dramatically, to \$100,000.

A Somali tribal chief liaising in negotiations said those holding Lindhout, 27, and photojournalist Nigel Brennan, 35, hostage were asking for millions in September.

It is not known if the threat to kill Lindhout after the 15-day deadline was carried out. The date came and went with no further communication from captors.

A Somali journalist captured along with Lindhout and Brennan, Abdifatah Mohammed Elmi, was released on Jan. 15.

Elmi claims he was separated from the pair two days after they were captured.

Lindhout's parents, John and Lorinda, could not be reached for comment yesterday.

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Amanda Lindhout

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Mr. Sulu at last Friday's Sci-Fi Spectacular

George Takei, Mr. Sulu of Star Trek lore, was the narrator of the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra's performance at the Sci-Fi Spectacular music concert at the Winspear Friday night. **METRO EDMONTON**

Benefit held for robbery victim

BEATEN Friends of a liquor store employee who was violently beaten with a drywall hammer by someone who robbed his Jasper Place liquor store held a benefit for the man yesterday.

Money raised from the benefit will go towards helping John Brown and his family as he recovers from his injuries.

Brown suffered large cuts to his head and a gash to his leg when he was attacked two weeks ago. Police have made no arrest in the case. Media were banned from attending the benefit. **METRO EDMONTON**

**Change sought to panhandling bylaw**

PROPOSAL The Edmonton Police Commission is asking city council to change the city's public places bylaw to crack down on aggressive panhandling.

The commission is proposing that the city should amend the bylaw to make it illegal for anyone to panhandle aggressively, including making continual requests, making threats, or making physical contact with another person. **METRO EDMONTON**

News in brief

MEMORIAL Hundreds poured into the Boyle Street Community Centre on Saturday to remember 47 homeless people who died last year. The Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homeless says many died because of health problems and violence on the streets. **METRO EDMONTON**

Cold dunk brings out bears

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More than a dozen people were dunked into a small tank full of frigid water to raise money and food for Edmonton's Food Bank as yesterday's windchill hovered around the -25 degree mark.

The annual Realty Executives Polar Bear Dip was more of a dunk at the Royal Glenora Club yesterday as organizers had to bring in a dunk tank and a hot tub since the club's outdoor pool was slated for renovations under a multi-million-dollar expansion plan.

Dozens of onlookers this year were encouraged to throw balls for food donations at a target to see an unlucky volunteer plunge into the water.

The Edmonton Realty Executives say, despite the changes, the event was still a splash for the food bank.

"It's definitely chilly, but it's for a great cause," said organizer David Schroeder after he was dropped into the tank by his father.

"It's a bit cool when you get in on the outside, but it warms you up in the inside when you know what you are doing this for."

Hundreds of people were seen around the

JEFF CUMMINGS/METRO EDMONTON



Brittany Sargent, 23, takes a few gasps after she was dropped into a pool full of frigid water yesterday at the annual Realty Executives Polar Bear Dip.

pool last year as dozens of volunteers took the plunge into the pool, including an unlucky news-

paper photographer who accidentally fell in.

"Everyone who helped out had their own person-

al reasons for participating either as a dunker, spectator, or volunteer," said Schroeder.

Students think 'outside of box' in challenge

COMPETITION Six-hundred students from universities across the country competed this weekend at the University of Alberta that asked them to come up with new ideas to fix current problems, including the economy.

The JDC West Business Challenge is one of the largest undergraduate competitions in Western Canada and it brings students from 14 schools to take part in 14 competitions.

And with the economy on the minds of many students at the competition, some say Canada's government needs to put more cash in post-secondary education.

"People need to be educated as they wait out the recession," said Ayesha Medhurst, with the team from the University of British Columbia's Okanagan campus.

"For myself, I am going to get my masters given what's going on with the job market right now."

This year's theme of the challenge asked students to go beyond traditions by thinking "outside of the box."

Organizers with the competition say the event plays on personal strengths and it pushes each student to be the very best possible.

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Inhabitants safe as news carrier alerts family of early morning blaze

INVESTIGATION A fire that sent a family fleeing from a smouldering home in the northwest end yesterday morning was the work of arsonists, officials said yesterday.

A newspaper carrier frantically alerted sleeping occupants around 4:30 a.m. that the porch of the brown bun-

galow on 122 Avenue and 128 Street was on fire, and the flames were spreading.

Four adults and four children were in the home when the blaze erupted. Five people had to be rescued from the basement.

A two-year-old boy was rushed to the University of Alberta hospital for smoke

inhalation, but was released in stable condition hours later.

Emergency services spokesman John Muir said damages are pegged at over \$500,000.

It is not known yet how those responsible initially set the blaze. **VICTORIA HANDSIDES**

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Officials say yesterday's house fire was the work of arsonists.

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A referendum on a proposed agreement that would have compensated members of Manitoba's Peguis First Nation for land it surrendered a century ago has failed to draw enough voters to make the results count. There were more than 4,000 eligible voters, but fewer than 1,500 cast ballots. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada



Back-to-work order quashed

Ontario's New Democrats have stalled the provincial government's bid to legislate an end to the York University strike. NDP Leader Howard Hampton, left, said he was against forcing an end to the 11-week-old labour dispute. The back-to-work legislation tabled yesterday could have ended the strike at Canada's third largest university but the NDP's eight members voted against early passage. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Tories target training

More than \$2 billion in training and support funds for those who lose their jobs will be announced in tomorrow's federal budget, along with hundreds of millions of dollars to create a new economic development agency for hard-hit southern Ontario.

Human Resources Minister Diane Finley outlined the spending in an interview with the Torstar News Service as Prime Minister Stephen Harper hinted the budget would contain permanent tax cuts to put extra money in the pockets of middle-class Canadians.

Finley said the budget would contain \$1.5 billion in cash to provide training for laid-off workers who are eligible to collect employment insurance and for those who cannot access EI funds under current rules.

Stimulus package details

- Overall stimulus valued at about \$21B
- \$1B fund for mining, farming, forestry
- \$2B for social housing
- Permanent tax cuts
- \$500M to modernize farms, equipment
- \$50M to expand slaughterhouses
- \$50 million to promote forestry abroad

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She admitted yesterday that a lot of Canadians are "unfortunately" going to lose their jobs before the economy bounces back.

Brushing aside budget secrecy traditions, the Conservatives continue to roll out the big-ticket items in tomorrow's budget on an item-by-item basis.

And cabinet ministers are hinting at permanent tax

cuts that will provide more cash for middle-class Canadians in hopes they will spend it on consumer goods to jump-start the desperately weak economy.

On Saturday, Harper confirmed tomorrow's budget will contain lasting tax cuts, not simply short-term tax reductions meant to help get Canada escape the recession.

"If we're talking about tax cuts, these measures in most cases have to be permanent to be effective," he told La Presse newspaper.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Chrétien Co-operating on competitiveness



Former prime minister Jean Chrétien, left, and Saudi Arabia's Minister of Finance Ibrahim al-Assaf attend the third Global Competitiveness Forum in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, yesterday. The forum brings together roughly 1,500 delegates from all over the globe with the intent to prepare advice to present to the G20 when that group meets in April.

News in brief

BIRD FLU An H5 avian flu virus has been found in a commercial turkey farm in B.C.'s Fraser Valley, the Canadian Food Inspection

Agency confirmed Saturday.

QUEBEC An officer with Quebec provincial police is suing

the force for \$5.4 million, alleging it failed to protect him from racial harassment.

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Avalanche claims 10 lives in Turkey

An avalanche that swept down a mountain near a small winter resort killed 10 climbers in northeast Turkey yesterday, but seven of their companions survived the crush. **REUTERS**

World

Israeli PM promises to protect soldiers

International calls to investigate Israel over alleged war crimes in the Gaza Strip prompted Prime Minister Ehud Olmert yesterday to promise military personnel state protection from foreign prosecution.

"The commanders and soldiers sent to Gaza should know they are safe from various tribunals and Israel will assist them on this front and defend them, just as they protected us with their bodies during the Gaza operation," Olmert said.

Last week, the military censor ordered local and foreign media in Israel not to publish names of army commanders in the Gaza war and to blur their faces in photos and video for fear they could be identi-

Proposed truce terms

• Israel has proposed to Egyptian mediators an 18-month ceasefire with Hamas, but the

fied and arrested while travelling abroad.

Israeli media reports said the military had been advising its top brass to think twice about visiting Europe.

Speaking at a weekly cabinet meeting, Olmert said Israel's justice minister would consult the country's top legal experts and find "answers to possible questions relating to the Israeli military's activities" during the 22-day war.

Some 1,300 Palestinians, including at least 700 civilians, were killed, medical

group that controls Gaza said it wants a one-year ceasefire, a Hamas official said yesterday.

officials said, in the offensive Israel launched in the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip with the declared aim of ending cross-border rocket attacks.

The civilian deaths sparked public outcry abroad and prompted senior UN officials to demand independent investigations into whether Israel committed war crimes.

Israel said hundreds of militants were among the Palestinian dead and that it tried its best to avoid civilian casualties in densely populated areas where gunmen operated. **REUTERS**

Storm kills 15 in France, Spain

DAMAGE European countries sent teams of electricians to France yesterday and Spain deployed extra troops to help deal with the aftermath of a storm that killed 15 people in southwest France and northern Spain.

News in brief

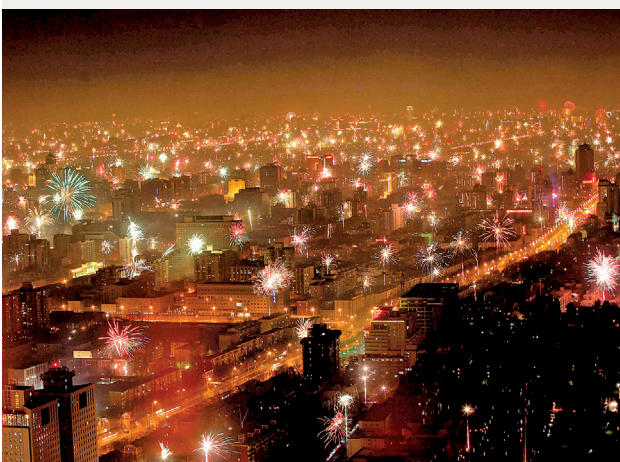
VIETNAM At least 40 people drowned when a ferry sank in central Vietnam yesterday, police said. Most of the dead were women and children on their way to a market at the start of the week-long Lunar New Year festival, a police officer said.

REBELS Sri Lankan soldiers captured the last major town held by Tamil Tiger separatists yesterday, moving a step closer to finishing off one of Asia's longest-running insurgencies, the army said.

DOWRY Nepal's beleaguered Maoist Prime Minister Prachanda vowed yesterday to ban the dowry system and criminalize untouchability.

VOTE Bolivian voters backed a new constitution yesterday, allowing leftist President Evo Morales to run for re-election and tighten his grip on the economy. **REUTERS**

China Happy New Year



Fireworks illuminate the skyline of Beijing during Chinese New Year celebrations yesterday. Hundreds of millions of Chinese geared up to welcome the Year of the Ox, packing temple fairs and setting off fireworks and firecrackers.

Obama plans to ban weapons in space

POLICY U.S. President Barack Obama's pledge to seek a worldwide ban on weapons in space marks a dramatic shift in policy, while posing the tricky issue of defining whether a satellite can be a weapon.

Moments after Obama's inauguration last week, the White House website was updated to include policy statements on a range of is-

issues, including a pledge to restore U.S. leadership on space issues and seek a worldwide ban on weapons that interfere with military and commercial satellites.

It also promised to look at threats to U.S. satellites, contingency plans to keep information flowing from them, and what steps are needed to protect spacecraft against attack. **REUTERS**

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First-day commandments

HineSight

Anne Hines



Besides working as a writer, I've spent the last eight years studying to become a United Church minister. I go to school part-time. I've said that my goal is "to try to graduate while there is still religion."

Frankly, some days, this seems a little touch and go.

Lately, the number of members in my church has been dropping faster than a Nortel-based RRSP. In fact, friends have suggested I consider a career with a brighter future. Perhaps as a typewriter salesperson or a small screen TV repairman.

But I've always been someone who follows her heart. Even when everyone's insisting its GPS must be on the blink.

As part of my studies, I'll spend the next eight months working at an inner-city church and a mental-health institution.

To prepare for my first day, I boned up on "tips for starting a new job."

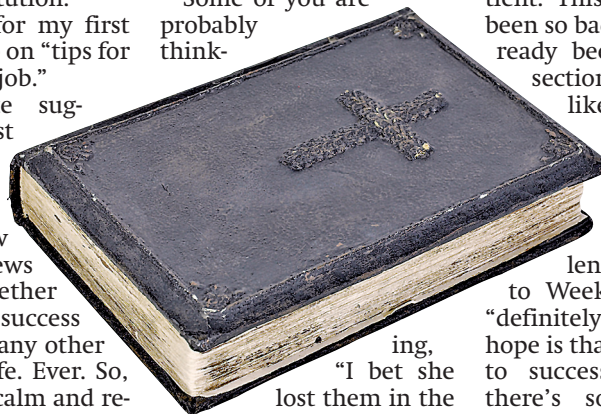
One website suggested, "First impressions are all-important. They determine how everyone views you and whether you'll achieve success in your job or any other part of your life. Ever. So, be sure to be calm and relaxed." This was not necessarily helpful.

Nor was, "Try to show you fit in." In the past, my efforts to fit in have led me to join an office lawn bowling team, drink tree bark-

flavoured coffee and agree that Tiffany is the most underrated artist of our time.

The first-day strategy I adopted was "setting the bar low." At the church, I was issued keys and cautioned never to misplace them.

Some of you are probably thinking,



"I bet she lost them in the first 10 minutes." Well, you're wrong. It only took five. For the next half hour, the entire staff searched for the keys that, fortunately, we found. Unfortunately, where we

found them was in my jeans pocket.

Things didn't go smoothly at the mental-health institute either. Part way through the orientation questionnaire, the administrator realized I was there as staff, not as a patient. This wouldn't have been so bad except we'd already been through the sections on "issues I'd like to work on while here" and "preferred medications."

Am I up to this new challenge? As I head into Week 2, I'm saying "definitely maybe." What I hope is that when it comes to success on the job, there's something even more important than first impressions: second, third and fourth ones.

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Views

Transit passes widely outpacing inflation

InTransit

Brian Gould



I imagine a number of riders reading this column are a few weeks into a new year's resolution to kick the car habit. If so, here's some dark humour to something downright mad-denying.

You see, February is fare-hike month in Edmonton, and this year is especially bad for ETS' most loyal riders. Next week, a monthly pass will set you back an absurd \$74.25.

It's not highly publicized, but last year's hike to \$66.50 from \$59 wasn't an anomaly — it's the trend thanks to council setting the 2012 target at a

jaw-dropping \$89.

The plan is to try to bring in more than half of operating costs at the farebox. This is the destructive result of making transit budget decisions solely on ETS' finances, not those of Edmontonians.

Not only is it an infuriating double standard, given that roads have a direct revenue of precisely zero in Edmonton, but it's a fool's errand, as well. At around 50 per cent, Edmonton is already doing surprisingly well.

Using only this measure implies that Edmonton is Paris. I hope I don't need to explain how Edmonton is not Paris now, nor will it be 10 per cent better than Paris in 2012 —

whatever that means.

It also ignores the fact that riders won't just keep opening their wallets wider. A typical industry rule of thumb suggests this policy, inflation-adjusted, will cause about a six per cent drop in potential ridership.

While those with other options might be the first to go, those with no options are going to be hardest hit. Monthly passes are the only thing keeping many Edmontonians moving.

ETS revenue figures suggest that a monthly pass in 2007 was used for an average of 54 trips. But what bought a pass in 2007 only buys 26 tickets in 2010.



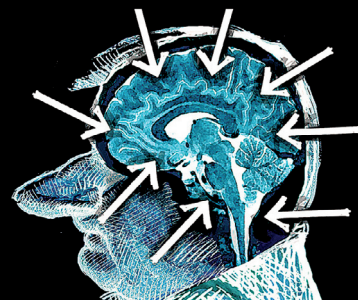
Of course, that's too few for a full-time job and leaves no room for shopping or social trips. On a tight budget, the choice is then between job, housing and mobility.

Those more fortunate but with less need for transit will learn the hard way the difference between tickets and passes: Every trip begins by asking yourself if it's worth the money. Yes, costs increase, and if it was council's intention to demonstrate this, then mission accomplished. But over these three years, passes will outpace inflation by more than four times.

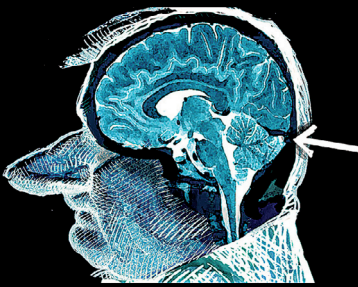
Besides, transit riders hardly need that lesson, especially now.

Brian Gould is a transportation planner and has served in a variety of roles with the Transit Riders' Union of Edmonton. He is committed to being car-less and is a vocal critic of auto-centric planning.

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Worth mentioning

Nigerian police holding goat for attempted theft

Police in Nigeria are holding a goat on suspicion of attempted armed robbery.

Vigilantes took the black and white beast to the police saying it was an armed robber who had used black magic to transform himself into a goat to escape arrest after trying to steal a Mazda 323.

"The group of vigilante men came to report that while they were on patrol, they saw some hoodlums attempting to rob a car. They pursued them. However,

one of them escaped while the other turned into a goat," Kwara state police spokesman Tunde Mohammed said.

"We cannot confirm the story, but the goat is in our custody. We cannot base our information on something mystical. It is something that has to be proved scientifically, that a human being turned into a goat," he said.

The goat remains in custody.

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Quote of the Day

"On Tuesday, we'll all see whether the prime minister has learned to listen. If he hasn't learned to listen, he's not going to lead for long."

— Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff

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Dior feels downturn

Paris fashion week attendees note that Christian Dior and other labels have cut on expenses such as champagne, models and parties to save money as sales drop. **REUTERS**

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Business

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'Big and bold is best'

With the Canadian government having already leaked deficit figures ahead of tomorrow's budget, investors are now focused on the specific measures that could boost sectors as diverse as construction and banking.

They will also be seeking confirmation that a country that until recently prided itself on fiscal prudence now sees the pressing need to borrow heavily in order to boost growth.

"Big and bold is best," said Ian Nakamoto, director of research at Mac-

Canada 2009

Federal Budget

Dougall, MacDougall & MacTier. "It cannot be timid in this environment. You've got to throw everything you've got at it."

Analysts have speculated that the specific measures could range from regulatory changes that would let Ottawa inject equity into banks, to infrastructure spending that would boost construction and engineering firms such as Montreal-

based SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.

Financial stocks such as Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto-Dominion Bank and Bank of Nova Scotia are seen as one of the best investment plays if better times beckon.

In currency markets, market players say a strong stimulus package could be a near-term positive for the Canadian dollar, as the boost it provides may help the Bank of Canada maintain the current positive spread to U.S. interest rates. **REUTERS**

Business in brief

CURRENCY China's Xinhua news agency says recent comments made by U.S. Treasury Secretary-designate Timothy Geithner that China is manipu-

lating its currency are unfair, a misinterpretation and an excuse to justify trade protectionism.

ECONOMY The International

Monetary Fund will cut its 2009 global growth forecast to between one and 1.5 per cent. In November, it predicted growth of 2.2 per cent. **REUTERS**

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Building for the future

There's an opportunity available to lay a new, greener infrastructure

EarthTones

Sophia Dore & Andrew Laursen



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Hello Metro readers. After a brief hiatus we, Earth Tones, are back.

Since we last spoke, many things have happened in the world. Most immediately relevant to most of us is the bottom has fallen out of the world economy. So these days companies are worried about staying in business, not trading carbon credits, and individuals are worried about keeping their jobs and paying their mortgages, not about whether to buy a Smart Car or a Prius.

A year ago, the environment was consistently among the top-three priorities for Canadians in opinion polls. These days, it doesn't even crack the top five. Is the environment still relevant in today's political and economic climate? Why should we take time away from worrying about our bank balances to worry about the Earth's balance?

First of all, we need to remember the things that were making headlines six months ago, before the headlines became domi-



Windmills or other alternative power sources could support the economy into the future when oil is not readily available and carbon emissions are more strictly controlled.

nated by who was bailing out whom and how much stock prices have fallen, are still happening now. They have just been eclipsed by things that may seem more immediately urgent.

Polar ice is still melting, CO2 levels are still rising. These things don't stop because humans have dug themselves a financial hole. Although worldwide manufacturing has slowed, carbon emissions have not been reduced to a level that makes a differ-

ence to global warming. We need to decide whether the environment is a luxury that we consider only in times of plenty, or whether it is our lifeline that we need to sustain at all times.

We also need to remember that our economy is in transition. The benchmark for economic downturns is, of course, the Great Depression. During the Depression, many world leaders used deficit spending to finance huge infrastructure projects that laid the

foundation for the modern economy.

"Spending one's way out of a recession" and running large budget deficits is controversial these days after the balanced budgets of the more prosperous years. However, in the past this has produced needed jobs and created infrastructure that transformed the economy.

We have before us an opportunity. The economic stimulus that we so urgently need can be used to lay a new infrastructure

"We need to decide whether the environment is a luxury that we consider only in times of plenty, or whether it is our lifeline that we need to sustain at all times."

for a greener future. Massive investments in public transit can be made. New light-rail and bus systems can be integrated with existing systems so that in the future cars are simply not a necessity of day-to-day life the way they are today.

Similarly, the government plans to invest in industry, which will create jobs and confidence. Special consideration must be given to industries that will be environmentally sustainable and that will continue to support the economy into the future when oil is not readily available and carbon emissions are more strictly controlled.

So as we adjust to the new reality let us hope that we can grow and change during these difficult times and emerge with an infrastructure that can carry us into a sustainable future.

Sophia Dore is an environmental scientist with Conestoga-Rovers & Associates. Andrew Laursen is an assistant professor at Ryerson University.

Wal-Mart rolls out demo store

TECHNOLOGY Wal-Mart Canada recently announced the opening of its first environmental demonstration store in Burlington, Ont., which features a first-of-its-kind application of geothermal technology in a large-scale Canadian retail operation and energy-conserving lighting innovations, among many other sustainable features.

This year, Wal-Mart Canada will begin to roll out prototypical stores that are 30 per cent more energy efficient.

The new Burlington supercentre is expected to use an estimated 60 per cent less energy than the company's typical supercentre store and to reduce carbon emissions by an estimated 141 tonnes. It is also expected to divert an estimated 85 per cent of its waste from landfill through a variety of recycling programs.

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News in brief

FUNDING The TD Friends of the Environment Foundation has funding available and is inviting non-profit organizations with a charitable registration number and schools to apply for funding online at www.fef.ca. "The risk is that in tough economic times, supporting the environment could move down the list of priorities for Canadians, causing these non-profit groups to see a decline in funding for their projects," said Mary Desjardins, executive director, TD Friends of the Environment Foundation.

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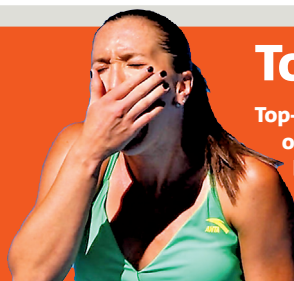
Howard beats Martin in BDO Classic

Glenn Howard of Coldwater, Ont., captured his first career BDO Classic Canadian Open title yesterday with an 8-4 win over Edmonton's Kevin Martin. The Classic was the third leg of the 2008-09 Capital One Grand Slam of Curling. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Sports

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Top seed Jankovic out

Top-seeded Jelena Jankovic of Serbia, left, was knocked out of the Australian Open yesterday, beaten in straight sets by Marion Bartoli of France. On the men's side, Roger Federer survived a scare, coming back from two sets down against Tomas Berdych to reach the quarter-finals.

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Kovalev the hometown hero

NHL ALL-STAR GAME

West 11 East 12 (SO)



Alex Kovalev collected three points on two goals and one assist and notched the game-winner in the shootout, as the Eastern Conference posted a wild 12-11 win over the Western Conference at the 57th NHL all-star game in Montreal.

Kovalev, the Montreal Canadiens' captain, collected MVP honours for the effort, his first such recognition in his 16-year career. In addition,

he became the first Habs player to earn the honour since Mark Recchi in 1997 at San Jose.

Kovalev opened the second round of the shootout on a sizzling wrist to the glove side that caught West netminder Roberto Luongo off-guard. After Rick Nash failed on his chance against Tim Thomas, Alex Ovechkin clinched the win by pushing a shot inside the left post.

Martin St. Louis also notched two goals and a helper for the Eastern Conference, which won for the third time in five games since the NHL re-established an East-West format in 2003.

Jay Bouwmeester and Ovechkin added a goal and two assists each, and Marc

BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES



Montreal's Alexei Kovalev scores the shootout winner for the East on Roberto Luongo last night.

Savard had three helpers, while Thomas got the win after allowing three goals on 22 shots through the third

period and overtime.

The 23 combined goals in the contest ranked second only to the 2001 all-star

game in Denver, which saw Team North America clip Team World, 14-12.

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Sports in brief

SOCCER

David Beckham netted his first Serie A goal and Kaka scored twice after a difficult week to give third-placed AC Milan a 4-1 come-back win at Bologna. Kaka, whose world-record move to Manchester City collapsed last Monday, converted a penalty and fired in a superb strike before Beckham wrapped things up with a near-post finish.



David Beckham

REUTERS

SPEED SKATING

Canadian Denny Morrison won the 1,000 metres in a long-track speed-skating World Cup yesterday, while his main competitor, Shani Davis of the U.S., placed a distant fourth. Christine Nesbitt added two bronzes in the event.

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Taking it outside could take away the boredom of all-star weekend

wouldn't lose sleep if the NHL decided to do away with the NHL all-star game and simply give the players four or five days off to rest and heal in preparation for the stretch drive.

Of course, as yawn-inducing as the emotionless all-star version of the game has become — surpassed in boredom quotient only by Saturday's skills competition that featured, fittingly, players sleep-walking through a shootout-style competition — that's likely not going to happen.

For what it's worth, I'd rather see a regular-season game played outdoors with two points on the line on the last day of the schedule before the pause that's usually reserved for all-star festivities.

CapitalSports

Robin Brownlee



For fans needing a spectacle to break up the monotony of the season, the NHL should pick a city, pick the teams and pick the venue and make it the gala event that the all-star game once was.

Then, give everybody a break.

Wouldn't you rather see Boston play Montreal at Fenway Park or the Oilers face the Calgary Flames on a frigid day at Commonwealth Stadium than watch a game devoid of the quali-

ties — intensity and physicality — that makes it great? I would.

Instead of suspending Nicklas Lidstrom and Pavel Datsyuk for opting out, Gary Bettman would be better advised to dump the all-star format and take the game outside, with points up for grabs.

Surely, the NHL could fulfil its obligations to its many worthy charities and sponsors and provide a little more pizzazz with an outdoor game.

COGLIANO SHINES

Oilers forward Andrew Cogliano showed fans what the faithful at Rexall Place already know by winning the fastest skater competition before Saturday's Youngstars game, blazing around the ice in a time of

14.31 seconds.

Cogliano, 21, wasn't even the fastest skater at the Oilers skills competition — Erik Cole was, but the sophomore outlegged five other skaters to win the race. Cogliano was nowhere near the record set by Mike Gartner 15 years ago. What's amazing about that is Gartner set the record of 13.51 seconds at the age of 34.

WHILE I'M AT IT

While Montreal remains the likely destination for Vincent Lecavalier if Tampa Bay decides to trade him, is there anybody not named Ales Hemsky you wouldn't put in a package to get him if you were GM Steve Tambellini? ... Expect an announcement this week that the Oilers have purchased the Edmonton Cracker Cats

of the Golden Baseball League from Dan Orlich for \$400,000 ... When the NHL takes another look at the issue of fighting, it should start by repealing the instigator rule and institute penalties for any player who intentionally removes his helmet before a fight ... If the Oilers, who hit the

break at 24-19-3, can beat the Buffalo Sabres tomorrow, they'll have four straight wins for the first time since opening the season with a quartet of victories.

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Metro Workology exclusive: Curtain Call

Workology

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Unmet targets in Halifax

In its forthcoming 2009 Economic Scorecard Report, the Halifax Chamber of Commerce says regional universities are failing to meet the target of increasing admissions by 500 students a year. In 2008, 785 fewer students were attending Metro Halifax universities than in 2004, and "the declining trend is cause for concern," it said.

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Ski on the snow you made

OddJobs

Diane Peters



If you're an avid skier, you'll be envious of Jodie McCutcheon. "It's a dream job," says the 37-year-old snowmaking, roads and parking manager for the Whistler Blackcomb ski resort in Whistler, B.C. "I work days, I have technology at my disposal, I make darn good money and I get to ski a lot."

McCutcheon manages a staff of as many as a hundred people, including six millwrights that do equipment repairs year-round and a large staff of seasonal snowmakers who work from October to January. These mostly young men work 12-hour shifts operating 270 snowmaking guns. These guns shoot out water that turns into snow when combined with air. Snowmaking staff adjusts the water pressure and the direction of the guns, plus they move them around the mountain and shovel.

It's McCutcheon's job to decide if it's cold enough to make snow (it's less efficient to make snow once it gets up to -1C), assess the

quality of the artificial snow and map out where the guns are going next.

He gets to his computer about 5:30 a.m. Cameras on the mountain helps him assess the snow and equipment. He also schedules his staff, checks the weather, monitors the water level in the resort's reservoir and looks ahead to upcoming ski competition and events that will need more snow.

By about 8:15 a.m. he's outside on skis, checking the slopes and the guns. By lunch he's back in the office again, and his workday ends by 2 or 3 p.m.

McCutcheon comes from a farm in northern B.C. and briefly studied arts at university. In 1991 he moved to Whistler to be a ski bum. He started working for the mountain in equipment rentals and then as a ski patroller.

Eventually he joined the seasonal team in 1998. In the summer he worked as a carpenter. The resort started investing more in snowmaking. McCutcheon was great with computers and technology, and started moving up the ranks. Eighteen months ago, he found himself head of snowmaking operations. It's safe to say, this guy knows snow.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

When only your bones can speak

Curtain Call

RAFAEL BRUSILOV
for Metro Canada

When only bones remain, it's the job of a forensic anthropologist to piece together a person's past.

Dr. Martin Evison, 47, is one such forensic anthropologist skilled at unravelling the stories bones often tell.

Evison, a native of the United Kingdom, came to Canada in 2005 and now directs the forensic science program at the University of Toronto.

From skeletal remains, Evison can estimate a person's age, sex, height and ancestry, alongside other details, though he insists the results can never be considered foolproof since health, genetics and environment can impact a person's identity greatly.

"Sometimes the accuracy of these methods is overstated. Experts will say they've determined the age when all they've really done is estimated the age," Evison said.

However, forensic anthropology can have dramatic effects on an investigation. One case he remembers in particular involved an unidentified skeleton with a missing finger tip and signs of stress on the victim's right elbow. This helped determine that the victim had worked as a buffer in the cutlery industry, constant-



Forensic anthropologist Dr. Martin Evison can tell a lot about a person just by their bones.

ly extending his arm as he polished cutlery. Evidence of surgical procedures on the bones suggested the male victim had bunions on his feet as well as arthritis in several joints. Within days of releasing the information to the public, U.K. police received enough leads to eventually arrest and charge a father and son with the murder of an elder Yemeni man.

Evison also has experience in reconstructing facial appearance from a skull, an astounding but highly controversial technique within the field of forensic anthropology, due in large part to its subjective nature. While musculature can be accurately recreated from a skull, either by hand using a sub-

"It's really an artistic process with a limited scientific basis."

Dr. Martin Evison

stance like clay or with specialized software on a computer, vital details such as the depth of each muscle and facial features on the skin can only be guessed at.

"It's really an artistic process with a limited scientific basis, but you can get a resemblance, if not an exact likeness," Evison said.

Ultimately, Evison says the point of facial reconstructions is not to try to perfectly reproduce the face of a victim anyways, but rather as a means to

get family, friends and acquaintances to pick up the phone and call in with leads.

"It's meant as a means of arousing public interest, and it generally works," Evison said.

In his career, Evison has investigated human rights abuses throughout some of the world most troubling recent conflicts in places such as Kosovo and Kenya, where too often only bones remain to speak for the dead.

"To be able to make even a small contribution to the situation in places like that, I feel it's important."



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Entertainment

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**Miss America**

Katie Stam of Indiana was crowned Miss America on Saturday, fighting off a throat infection, laryngitis and 51 other contestants to win the pageant. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Design diversity

Reality series showcases Canadian fashions

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada



On one side of the catwalk sit nervous budding designers, their eyes the sole indicators of any present jitters. Judgment, on the other hand, flows from the facial expressions of the fashion professionals who scribble notes as garments slink by on the svelte limbs of the models on parade.

This vogue vision is not filling the tents at Toronto Fashion Week, nor the seasonal debuts in New York or Paris. The scene is ripped from the unexpectedly stylish streets of Ottawa, the backdrop for the second season of design reality program Project Runway Canada, in which 14 aspiring designers compete for \$100,000.

"The style in Ottawa tends to be thought of as conservative and high quality, with embassies and ambassadors and all kinds of high-end events," said Andrea Gabourie, the

series' executive producer. "But I think there's a real emerging diversity in fashion here ... One of our goals with the show is making Canadians excited about knowing who the Canadian fashion designers are and buying their clothes."

Elevating designers into national recognition is largely established by the immediacy with which the show allows a complete unknown to display their construction and design abilities not just to the Canadian public, but also to internationally respected designers.

Brian Bailey is one of them. The women's sportswear and eveningwear designer and Canada's first to produce complementary collections for both traditional and plus sizes returns this season to mentor the contestants.

"It's about immediate brand building," Bailey said. "It's about delivering into the hearts and homes

ready for takeoff

- Project Runway Canada premieres on Global TV tomorrow night.

of Canadians across Canada that watch television that we have a Canadian design industry and that (its designers) are fabulous! That's a damn nice Canadian thing to say, isn't it?"

But, while it may be nice to make Canadian designers feel special, there's no denying the misconception that the show is a fashion stepchild to the United States, says this season's host supermodel Iman.

"They have no idea how great their talent is, so they don't bring their game on because they think, 'Oh where will it go?'"

"Fashion is global. There's not just a Canadian designer."

She begs to prove the Canadian designers wrong by bringing her industry



Supermodel Iman returns as host of Project Runway Canada.

expertise to the table. "By sheer luck, wouldn't it be great if I discovered

the genius of tomorrow?" she says, with a roar of laughter.

weekend box office

- 1 Paul Blart: Mall Cop:** \$21.5 million US
- 2 Underworld: Rise of the Lycans:** \$20.7 million
- 3 Gran Torino:** \$16 million
- 4 Hotel for Dogs:** \$12.4 million
- 5 Slumdog Millionaire:** \$10.5 million
- 6 My Bloody Valentine: 3D:** \$10 million
- 7 Inkheart:** \$7.7 million
- 8 Bride Wars:** \$7 million
- 9 Curious Case of Benjamin Button:** \$6 million
- 10 Notorious:** \$5.7 million

REUTERS

Rise of the superbore

Underworld: Rise of The Lycans

Director: Patrick Tatopoulos

Stars: Rhona Mitra, Michael Sheen, Bill Nighy

Classification: 18A

Rating: ⓈⓂ

IAN GORMEY
for Metro Canada



It's a remarkable feat that the Underworld series of films have managed to make a war between vampires and werewolves so boring.

Underworld: Rise of the Lycans, the third (and fingers crossed for final) instalment is a prequel, fleshing out the origin of the centuries long struggle between these two creatures of the night. Thing is if you've seen the first two films (Underworld and Underworld: Evolution) you'll already know this tale; both films spent plenty of screen time creating this back-story through flashbacks and over-the-top



Michael Sheen stars in Underworld: Rise of the Lycans.

monologues.

As for viewers who managed to miss these cinematic gems, do you really care?

Rise of the Lycans' plot revolves around two star-crossed lovers, but instead of Montagues and Capulets, it's vampires and lycans. Sonia (played by Domsday's Rhona Mitra) loves lycan slave Lucian (a slumming Michael Sheen) much to the chagrin of her vampire king father Viktor

(a humourless Bill Nighy).

When Viktor has his daughter killed for her transgressions, Lucian flips, rallies the other werewolf slaves and all hell breaks loose.

Being a prequel, Rise of the Lycans is freed from the need to bring viewers up to speed with a convoluted back-story something that dragged down its predecessors. So this is the most accessible and straightforward film in the trilogy.

That said, for all the effort that has been made to flesh out the world in which the Underworld series exists the characters that inhabit it are one-dimensional archetypes.

And this really wouldn't be a problem if the action sequences weren't so dull. The choreographed gunplay that typified the first two movies has been replaced with sword fight re-treads mixed with Matrix copping aerial stunts.

This could have been a great bad movie, but instead it's just boring.

Be careful what you wish for.

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Slumdog scores again
Slumdog Millionaire has scored the top award from the Producers Guild of America, building more momentum for the rags-to-riches drama in the Oscar race for best picture. The film previously won four Golden Globe awards. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Vets win big at SAGs

Streep, Penn take best actress/actor awards

Slumdog Millionaire took the top prize at the Screen Actors Guild Awards last night, boosting its chances of an Oscar next month, on a night that saw awards scattered across five movies.

Slumdog Millionaire, the story of a Mumbai slum dweller who hits the big time on a TV game show, won the prize for best ensemble cast in a motion picture.

Sean Penn won the best actor award for playing slain San Francisco gay rights activist Harvey Milk in Milk, while Meryl Streep was a popular best actress winner for her role as a vindictive nun in the Catholic Church abuse drama Doubt.

Neither Milk nor Doubt has featured strongly in the awards season so far, but the Screen Actors Guild, in which Hollywood actors honour their peers, is known for throwing curveballs on the road to the Oscars.

Milk has played well in Los Angeles, where the gay community was embittered



Meryl Streep and Sean Penn accept the best actress and actor awards at the Screen Actors Guild Awards last night.



by a November 2008 referendum that banned same-sex marriage in California. "This is a story about equal rights for all human beings," Penn said in his acceptance speech.

Streep paid tribute to other strong performances by women in the past year, adding, "There is no such thing as the best actress. There is no such thing as the greatest living actress," referring to the accolade of-

ten bestowed on her.

Australia's Heath Ledger, who died a year ago, added a SAG best supporting actor award to his tally for playing the Joker in Batman blockbuster The Dark Knight.

British actress Kate Winslet won the best supporting actress SAG award for her role as a German woman with a hidden Nazi past in The Reader.

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Music industry sets its sights on new Internet-connected TV sets

That oldest of questions — "Anything good on TV?" — may soon get a new answer: Music. A generation of Internet-connected TV sets are emerging as potentially useful tools for the recording industry in its ongoing quest to extend the reach of digital music into living rooms.

Judging from the buzz that connected TVs from Samsung, Sony, Vizio and LG generated at the otherwise subdued International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas in early January, Internet access may soon become as important a feature to TV buyers as screen size and resolution.

Attempts to bring online connectivity to TV screens are hardly new. What's different this year is that instead of pitching such TVs as a way to browse the web, TV makers are touting their ability to deliver a wider range of entertainment options.

The biggest draw, of course, is expanded video programming. Connected



Brian Hlavska shows off a Samsung 850 plasma television at the recent International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas. The television uses Internet@TV content service, which is made possible with the Yahoo Widget Engine.

TVs don't require a separate box to download movies from Netflix or Blockbuster or to watch viral videos on YouTube.

But music isn't far behind. Rhapsody, which is already available through TiVo DVRs, recently signed a deal with TV maker Vizio to integrate its music subscription service into the manufacturer's new Connected HDTV models coming out this fall. That will enable Vizio owners to access Rhapsody without a separate device.

Yahoo and Intel have teamed up to launch TV Widgets, a technology that lets users access websites and online services through a TV while watch

Digital music providers are also negotiating with cable operators to make their services as accessible as HBO. That will require extensive negotiations with cable operators and record labels to bring down monthly costs.

Until then, digital music services will be focused on TV hardware.

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Lipstick Jungle stage manager accused of stealing

A stage manager for the NBC show Lipstick Jungle has been charged with stealing almost \$30,000 in designer fashion from the show, reports say. Arthur Moreira, 27, was arrested Friday in Brooklyn. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Being Ab Fab in L.A.

IntelVision



WHAT'S THE AMERICAN FOR 'SWEETIE DARLING'? Fox is apparently pressing ahead with an Americanized version of Absolutely Fabulous, the BBC comedy that debuted in 1992 and sporadically produced five seasons and several specials.

I'm a big fan of the original show, which was, at its best, one of the most caustic and inspired pieces of social satire put on television.

I'm also no longer confident of my abilities to predict how well Americanizations of British shows will fare; I dismissed NBC's version of The Office before it premiered, and despite a miserable false start, ABC's Life on Mars turned out a lot better than my dire predictions.

While it's good news that Jennifer Saunders — one of

the stars and creators of the original — will be executive producing the Fox version, there's still good reason to be worried about the show, which has been given a pilot order according to Variety and could hit the air by the fall.

WHAT COULD GO RIGHT: According to Variety, they've set the show in Los Angeles, which isn't exactly the centre of the fashion industry in America, but that could work; anyone who's watched a couple of seasons of Project Runway knows that the biggest loose cannons on the show are often products of L.A.'s fashion scene.

And anyone who's spent time in the boutiques of Hollywood or Beverly Hills can tell you that L.A. has money and taste in inverse proportions — as little of the latter as it has much of the former. Last year the stores were filled with pricey versions of what heavy metal groupies were wearing in the mid-80s; it would be rich to see Fox's version of Edina making her entrance



Jennifer Saunders, left, and Joanna Lumley served up the laughs in the British comedy Absolutely Fabulous.

swathed in L.A.'s take on the original show's Christian Lacroix tat.

The city matches England's abject celeb culture and exceeds it for flaky New Age trends, so the writers shouldn't have a problem mining their hometown for fecund material, and hopefully the casting director will be able to provide cameos and guest spots from celebrities on the A, B and Z lists willing to lampoon themselves.

WHAT COULD GO WRONG:

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For the life of me I can't think of any Americans able to match Saunders' or (especially) Joanna Lumley's crucial roles in the show; even in England, it was hard to imagine anyone willing to humiliate themselves by embodying such grandly irredeemable characters.

Faced with this obstacle, the writers and producers could scale back the show's comic ambitions, at which point it'll be dead in the water. I am, of course, happy to be proved wrong.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

From mom to son, with love from dad

A Journal for Jordan

Author: Dana Canedy
Publisher: Crown Publishers
Price: \$30 (Hardcover)

When 1st Sgt. Charles King was killed in Iraq in 2006, he left behind a 200-page journal for his infant son Jordan, which offered the boy lessons on life and love. In A Journal for Jordan, King's widow Dana Canedy constructs her own letters to their son, combining excerpts from her husband's journal with an intimate account of her relationship with her husband.

That Went Well

Author: Terrell Harris Dougan
Publisher: Hyperion
Price: \$29.95 (Hardcover)

After her sister Irene was born in 1946, Terrell Harris Dougan's life turned upside down. Irene was mentally disabled, and the family had to decide whether to institutionalize their beloved daughter, as was then

BookPicks

the norm, or try to integrate her into society. They chose the latter, and this book is Dougan's comic, touching account of growing up with Irene and how caring for her impacted her parents' lives and her own pursuit of normalcy.

Hope & Despair

Author: Monia Mazigh
Publisher: McClelland & Stewart
Price: \$34.99 (Hardcover)

Maher Arar didn't make it home to Canada from a family vacation in Tunisia in 2002. In Hope & Despair, Arar's wife Monia Mazigh recounts discovering he'd been detained on suspicion of ties to al-Qaida, his deportation to Syria and subsequent torture. Mazigh relives that time in unrelenting detail: She raised their two children alone, struggled with the Canadian government and worked tirelessly for a reunion.

BRIAN COULTON/FOR METRO CANADA

Internet TVs generate buzz

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critics' corner

Being Erica

In this new episode, Erica has a new boss who's a real bully. To help her gain the confidence to confront him, Dr. Tom sends her back to university for a do-over with a fearsome professor. Tyron Leitso also stars in "The Secret of Now." 9 PM on CBXT



CSI: Miami

Season six ended with a literal bang, as head CSI Horatio Caine was gunned down on an airstrip. In this reprise of the seventh-season premiere, his colleagues pull out all the stops to find the shooter, crossing paths with some of Miami's most unsavory characters — one of whom is shockingly familiar. 8 PM on CFRN; 11 PM on KREM

The Big Bang Theory

Interventions are usually about getting someone to stop doing something. But in this episode, it's all about getting a behavior started. Sheldon, you see, has a fear of driving, and Leonard and his other friends think it's time he faced his fear and got behind the wheel in "The Euclid Alternative." 9 PM on CFRN KREM



Actress Molly Ringwald is preparing for double trouble — she's expecting twins, imdb.com reports. The Breakfast Club star, 40, has announced she is pregnant with a boy and a girl, according to People.com. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Prince dumped

ROMANCE British royal Prince Harry has been ditched by his long-term love Chelsy Davy — ending their five-year romance, imdb.com reports.

The pair parted ways following a series of tearful phone calls, according to British tabloid the News of the World.

And a source tells the publication that despite making the decision, 23-year-old Zimbabwean Davy is 'distracted' at the split.

The insider adds, "She has simply had enough. They have been going through what she calls a 'rough patch' and



she didn't see the point in going on.

"Their lives have been moving in different directions. Chelsy is about to embark on a career in law and being a royal girlfriend can be quite limiting."

A royal source told the tabloid the romance had simply 'run its course,' and that the pair were still on friendly terms.

The split marks an overall troublesome time for the 24-year-old prince — he was also embroiled in a race row after a film showing him referring to an Army colleague as "P*ki" was released.

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Sex And The City star denies split

RUMOURS Sex And The City star Sarah Jessica Parker has dismissed rumours she is set to split from her husband Matthew Broderick, imdb.com reports.

The couple has been dogged by rumours of an impending split ever since August when American tabloid, Star, claimed Broderick, 46, had an affair with a younger woman.

And fresh speculation

arose recently, with Internet gossips claiming Parker had been spotted visiting a New York realtor to prepare for moving out of the family's Manhattan home.

But Parker and Broderick



have been putting on a united front, appearing in public together on Thursday night to see Broadway play, The American Plan.

And Parker brushed off the break-up rumours, telling People.com, "This is date night. It was really lovely. We don't even bother to address them (the reports)."

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Engagement rumours false: Gisele

ENGAGEMENT Supermodel Gisele Bundchen has dismissed reports she and American football star Tom Brady are engaged, imdb.com reports.

The pair has been subjected to repeated engagement rumours over the past month.

Separate reports alleged New England

Patriots quarterback Brady had proposed on Christmas Eve and popped the question earlier this month.

But Leonardo DiCaprio's ex-girlfriend insists she has no sparkling ring to show off to pals.

She says, "I don't know how people are so creative. First they

said he proposed to me in a plane. Imagine, it was December 24, Christmas, we were flying to Boston, then there was some champagne and we celebrated the date.

"Now there's a new rumour that he proposed to me on last Friday (sic). I wasn't even there (with him), how can that be true?"

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Angie's ex-bodyguard may release tell-all

SCANDAL Angelina Jolie's Oscar nomination celebrations have been marred by reports her former bodyguard is planning a tell-all which will set out to prove the actress moved in on partner Brad Pitt when he was still married to Jennifer Aniston, imdb.com reports.

Sources claim the actress, who was nominated for a Best Actress Academy Award on Thursday, is seeking legal counsel to block Mickey Brett's exposé, which will also expose intimate details of her courtship and sex life with Pitt.

A publishing insider tells In Touch Weekly magazine, "He (Brett) knows everything about Angelina. It's going to be one of the most explosive books ever written."

Brett, who

headed up the Jolie/Pitt's security detail when the couple went into hiding in Namibia before the birth of baby daughter Shiloh in 2006, was reportedly fired by Pitt last year. The insider also tells In Touch Weekly, "The (book) will include all the sordid details of how they (Pitt and Jolie) got together while Brad was still married to Jennifer Aniston."

Pitt attempted to clear up those rumours in a recent interview after Jolie revealed the couple had met and fallen in love on the set of action film Mr. & Mrs. Smith, which was made when the movie hunk was still married. He insisted there was no "dastardly affair."

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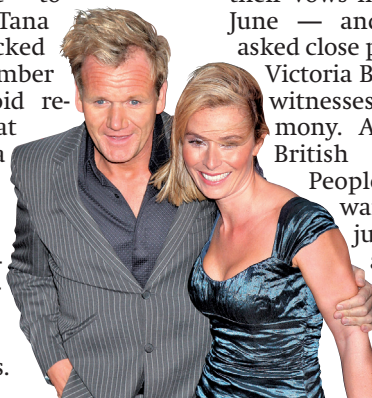
Ramsays to renew vows

MARRIAGE TV chef Gordon Ramsay is set to renew his wedding vows — just months after allegations he cheated on his wife, imdb.com reports.

The F Word star's 12-year marriage to wife Tana was rocked in November by tabloid reports that he had a long-standing affair with "serial mistress" Sarah Symonds.

Yet Ramsay firmly denied the rumours, claiming: "It never happened. It was completely made up. She set it up to make some money." Now the couple have decided to cement their vows in London this June — and have even asked close pals David and Victoria Beckham to be witnesses at the ceremony. A source told British tabloid The People, "Gordon wants to show just how infatuated he still is with Tana."

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Hathaway lauds curvier figures

IMAGE Actress Anne Hathaway has championed Scarlett Johansson and Beyoncé Knowles for their curvy figures, praising the pair as good role models for youngsters, imdb.com reports.

She says, "I don't think it's just Hollywood that gives out that message. As a society we put out these unrealistic body images to young women."

"But I'm a normal shape and Scarlett Johansson is not a skinny, skinny girl. Beyoncé Knowles looks after herself and has a beautiful body. Reese

Witherspoon looks great."



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Charlie's Angels back for more

PEOPLE Drew Barrymore, Lucy Liu and Cameron Diaz are set to return to the big screen as Charlie's Angels for a third film, imdb.com reports.

Six years after the sequel Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle, the trio is ready to go again.

Barrymore says, "I'm so into it... They're hard movies to make, but they're fun."

And sources tell Eonline.com that the three angels are looking to add a fourth lovely lady to the mix for their second sequel, which is set to start shooting later this year.

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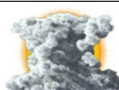
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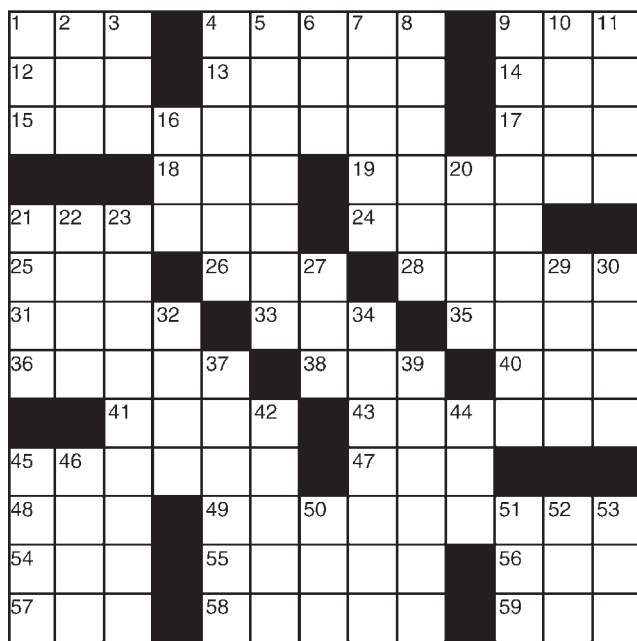
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**Today**High level clouds
-9°C / -26°C**Tuesday**Snow flurries
-2°C / -14°C**Wednesday**Cloudy, chilly
-5°C / -10°C**Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television**

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WEEKDAYS AT 6 AM

Take Five



Crossword across

- 1 Exercise in the park
4 Duel tool
9 Method
12 Actress Gardner
13 "..., excavating for —"
14 A Gershwin brother
15 Potbelly
17 Fresh
18 Pub order
19 Greek islander
21 Moves on momentum
24 Loathe
25 Melody
26 Conk out
28 Sounds contented
31 Church furniture
33 Pompous sort

- 35 Golfer Aoki
36 Wields scissors
38 Snapshot
40 Old French coin
41 Memorandum
43 Second of two
45 Inn
47 Historic period
48 "That tastes awful!"
49 Wisconsin lake
54 Bikini half
55 Draw out
56 Prune
57 Stitch
58 Discourage
59 "Monty Python" opener

Crossword down

- 1 Pugilist's shot
2 Eggs
3 Festive
4 Went like Columbus
5 Serious forgetfulness
6 Auction action
7 Tennyson's "— Arden"
8 Swathe anew
9 Maxwell Anderson play
10 Neighborhood
11 Show boredom
16 Bankroll
20 Needle case
21 Spaces
22 Collateral option
23 "Rich Man, Poor Man"

- author
27 Kreskin's claim
29 Track competition
30 Acerbic
32 Dalmatian feature
34 Librarian's request
37 Intoxicated
39 Life's work
42 Skip a phoneme
44 Bill
45 Centers
46 Shrek is one
50 Enthusiast
51 Foreman foe
52 Understood
53 Harvest goddess

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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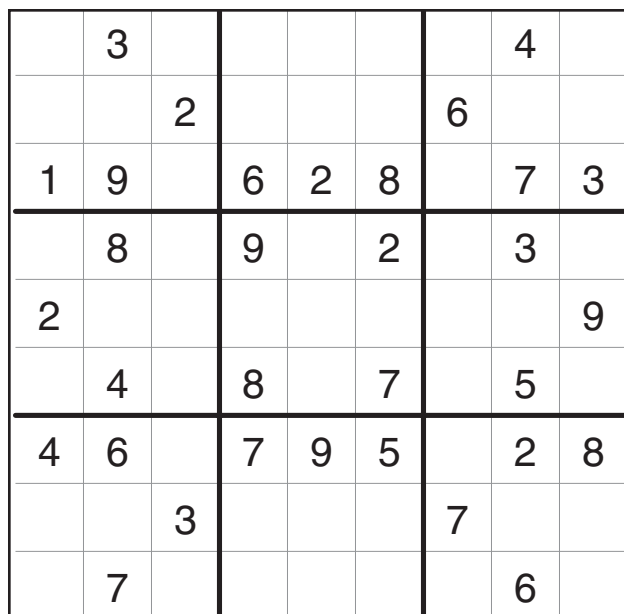
SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 minGenius
13-17 min.....Scholar

17-21 minSmart
21-25 minNot bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



Metro Recipe of the Day



Arroz con Pollo

INGREDIENTS:

3 lbs (1.5 kg) chicken breasts, thighs and drumsticks
Nonstick cooking spray
1 tbsp (15 ml) vegetable oil
1 cup (250 ml) uncooked long-grain white rice
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
1 can (14 oz/392 g) low-sodium tomatoes, undrained and cut up
1 large green pepper, chopped
1/2 cup (125 ml) chopped cooked lower-sodium ham
3/4 tsp (4 ml) hot red pepper sauce
1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
1/4 cup (50 ml) sliced black olives

METHOD:

1. Remove and discard chicken skin. Rinse chicken; drain and pat dry. Coat Dutch oven with cooking spray. Add oil and heat

over moderately high heat. Brown chicken in hot oil 10 minutes or until golden, turning occasionally. Remove chicken from Dutch oven. Add rice and garlic to Dutch oven. Cook and stir over moderate heat for 5 minutes or until rice just starts to brown. 2. Stir chicken broth, tomatoes, green pepper, ham, pepper sauce and salt into Dutch oven. Return chicken to Dutch oven. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, about 30 minutes or until chicken is cooked through and rice is tender. Stir in olives; heat through.

SERVES 6



Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



A bully will force a cancellation. You'll forget all about a bad moment. Something wonderful will happen before you know it.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



Look for a pattern within the pandemonium. A weak-willed boy will go home. You'll hear a sad tale about cheating.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



A message appears from nowhere. Give someone another chance to make you happy. Forgive yourself for having second thoughts.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



A glitch causes irritability to flare up. A friend's information will be of importance. Your self-esteem is about to be increase.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



Someone's words will replay in your mind. Relatives will have temper tantrums. Make a difference by giving an understandable message.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Be tough as nails with boring people. A friend will explain about a break-up. Jumping to conclusions throws you off-balance.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



A misunderstanding can cause a break-up. Hearsay should be ignored in an unfair situation. A disturbing puzzle keeps you on your feet.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Give someone a reason to avoid a difficult situation. A friend is sad about a revelation. A man lets go of a careless style.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



A girl is secretly hoarding stuff. Be cautious about giving advice to anyone. Remember to keep smiling, no matter what happens.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



Take the easy way out for a while. Make comments to help change a woman's mind. Get satisfaction from a new friendship.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



An adventure will cause distress. Focus on what you can do to find happiness. Go out of your way to avoid cranky people.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



An irresistible woman will go too far. Don't be your own worst enemy. Opportunities will crop up between friends.

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1. Cat-o'-nine-tails broken-off piece (1)

2. Millionaire's boat on-land parking site (1)

3. Chew on a noontime meal (1)

4. Fashionably nostalgic Paris subway (2)

5. Mental picture of a practice game (2)

6. More stressed network bleeper (2)

7. Actress Uma's white-coated weasels (2)

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

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